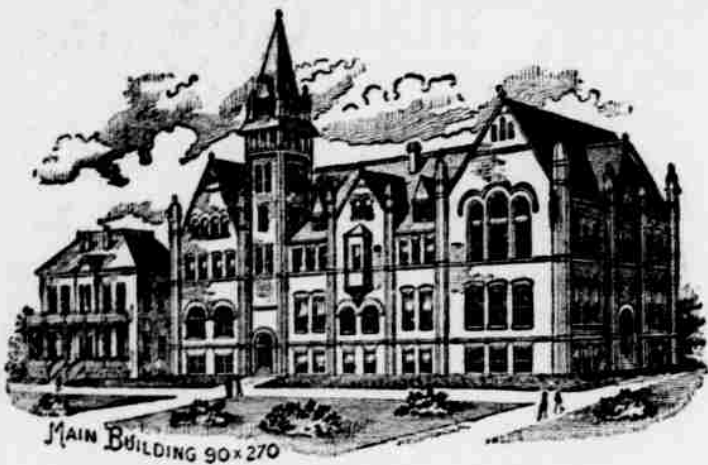


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CONFEDERATE FEMALE SPY.

Death of Mrs. John Mance After an Eventful Life in Camp and Field.

Glasgow, Ky., June 25.—Mrs. John Mance, one of the oddest of old characters, was found dead seated by the road side in Clay county, Tenn., recently. Her's was indeed a strange and eventful life. Sixty years ago Jacob Schroder, a Pennsylvania Dutchman, emigrated to this section of Kentucky and settled down to farming and dealing in stock. His family consisted of two sons and a daughter. By frugal habits Schroder accumulated considerable property, and was known as one of the wealthiest men of this section. The daughter, Kate, had many admirers, the favored suitor being Wilson Beggman, a carpenter. Owing to a fanciful insult offered him by Beggman, old man Schroder was opposed to the marriage of his daughter and forbade Beggman entering his house. A few days after the wordy war between the two men old man Schroder was shot from ambush. Suspicion pointed to Beggman as being the assassin, but evidence was not sufficient to warrant his arrest. Two weeks after the murder Beggman attempted to elope with Kate Schroder. The eloping couple were overtaken by the two Schroder boys and Beggman killed. The Schroders left for parts unknown. Two years later Kate Schroder married J. M. Mance, a farmer and former admiral.

At the commencement of the war Mance, who was a strong Southern sympathizer, was arrested and taken to Louisville, where he died in prison. Mrs. Mance always claimed his death was caused by the cruel treatment of his captors. Burning for revenge, Mrs. Mance entered the service of the rebels in the capacity of a spy. She was of great value to the Confederates, and was considered one of the most daring spies in the service. She was with Bragg when he raided through Kentucky, and at the battle of Perryville handled a musket in the front ranks. During the war she was usually attired in male attire, unless feminine attire suited her purpose better.

Many were her hairbreadth escapes from capture and death. One of the closest calls she ever experienced was while fording Red River, in Logan Co., Ky. She had visited Russellville in search of information. An hour after her departure the federal commander of the town, learning that she was a rebel spy, dispatched a company of cavalry to capture or kill her. The troops overtook the daring woman at the river, which was bankfull and past fording, owing to recent rains. With certain death behind and a dangerous river in front, she plunged into the raging torrent. When half way across the stream the federal cavalry appeared and fired a volley at the fleeing woman. Her horse was killed, and she received a wound in the shoulder. Supposing she had received her death wound, the troops left her to the mercies of the stream. She was washed against a pile of driftwood and reached the opposite shore. She reached her command, and gave information which resulted in the capture of Russellville the following week.

During her career as a scout she made oath that not until the inde-

pendence of the Confederate states would she ever sleep beneath a roof. At the close of the war Mrs. Mance returned to this county, sold her little farm and began a roaming life, which ended only in her death last week.

Securing a spring wagon, a horse and several head of milch cows, she roamed through Southern Kentucky and Northern Tennessee. Wherever good grazing could be found there she would camp for an indefinite period. Her wants were few and simple, and were supplied by selling milk and butter. This life she led both winter and summer. A perfect storehouse of information, yet she never referred to her own life, and it was with great difficulty that this short sketch was secured.

At the time of her death she had twenty milch cows. These she had milked up to the hour of her death. Finding the grim monster beckoning, she seated herself by the roadside, leaned against a tree and was dead when discovered. She kept the oath made during the rebellion. For 33 years she never slept under a roof.

"Not Wanted."

Madrid, June 30.—The Correspondencia publishes an interview which its New York correspondent had with Secretary Sherman. The latter is quoted as absolutely denying that the United States government proposed to purchase Cuba, and is said to have added:

"American feeling generally does not favor the annexation of Cuba. The partisans of such a policy form an important minority. A strong party, however, supports the annexation of Hawaii, and the only question with Spain is the Ruiz indemnity, upon which this government insists."

A Sound Liver Makes a Well Man
Are you Bilious, constipated or troubled with Jaundice, Sick Headache, bad taste in the mouth, foul breath, coated tongue, dyspepsia, indigestion, hot dry skin, pain in the back and between the shoulders, chills and fever, &c. If you have any of these symptoms, your liver is out of order and your blood is slowly being poisoned because your liver does not act properly. Herbine will cure all disorder of the liver, Stomach or bowels. It has no equal as a liver medicine. Price 75 cents. Free trial bottles at H. L. Tucker's drugstore.

More Troops Demanded for Spain.

New York, June 30.—The Herald's Madrid cable dispatch says:

Premier Canovas has caused an unfavorable impression here by suggesting the possibility that 20,000 reinforcements will be needed in Cuba by September. It is generally believed that Gen. Weyler demands them, though the government strenuously denies this. As the government consistently declares that the rebellion is decreasing and that pacification is imminent, the effect of this new demand is inconceivably perilous.

Strengthen the digestion, regulates the liver and purify the bowels if you would have health. To keep these organs healthy and vigorous is the especial province of Frick's Ash Bitters. When there is any derangement it acts directly upon the affected organ, going right to the seat of the trouble and driving all impurities and disease germs from the system. It cleans the kidneys, strengthens and regulates the liver, stomach and bowels and so fortifies the body that it can successfully resist malarial or other diseases that may be prevalent. Sold by McClelland & Co.

Hot Winds Destroy Corn.

Great Bend, Kan., July 1.—A scorching hot wind has been blowing over this county to-day, thoroughly cooking corn and feed and greatly injuring fruit.

Wheat is most too far along to be affected.

Corn will not stand over three days without rain, and unless there is rain soon rough feed in this county will be scarce this winter.

BRYAN'S PICTURE

Taken Out of the Post-Dispatch Window.

St. Louis Chronicle.

Considerable comment has been caused by the action of the new management of the Post-Dispatch in taking out of the front window the picture of W. J. Bryan. When Col. Charles H. Jones had charge of the paper and was advocating the cause of silver he put up in the front window in so conspicuous a place that it could be seen from a distance, a large picture of William J. Bryan, the great silver leader, together with the advertisement of Bryan's book, "The First Battle." Mr. Pulitzer, having secured complete control of the paper, however, announced in the first issue (last Sunday) that for 20 months the Post-Dispatch had not represented his views.

As his other paper, the New York World, is a gold advocate, this announcement was taken to mean that the Post-Dispatch would no longer be for silver. The opinion of those who claim to know is now strengthened by the removal of Bryan's picture from the window and the further fact that nothing favorable to silver has appeared in either news or editorial in the Post-Dispatch since the new management took hold, while the declaration of Governor Boies against silver was given unusual prominence in that paper a few days ago.

In yesterday's Post-Dispatch the leading article was an interview with ex-Gov. David R. Francis, one of the strongest gold advocates in the state, together with a large three column picture of the ex-Governor. Several of the silver men point to this as additional evidence that the white metal and its supporters will find no further favor in the Post-Dispatch columns.

Ferocious Wild Cattle.

Phoenix, Ariz., June 25.—A party of cowboys made a remarkable discovery in the Superstition Mountain a few days ago. While some forty of them were hunting for lost cattle they pushed their way through an almost impenetrable thicket into a canyon which it is thought was never before visited by a human being. After riding some distance through the thick brush, they came to more open place, where they discovered a herd of wild cattle thought to number about 100. The cowboys attempted to drive a portion of them out, but they turned on them, killing several of their horses and escaping up into the canyon. It is believed that these cattle are the progeny of a few animals that years ago wandered into the canyon from neighboring ranges, and that most of them had never before seen a man or a horse. A large party is being organized to return to the canyon and slaughter the animals.

Woman's Nerve.

Lafayette, Ind., June 30.—Mrs. George A. Spotts of Fulton county, successfully performed a surgical operation, which the doctors refused to do. The work was accomplished with a common butcher knife. Mrs. Spotts' foot was attacked with gangrene.

Dr. C. J. Loring was asked to amputate the foot. But upon consultation with other physicians, it was decided that the shock would prove too great and he refused to perform the operation.

The wife thought otherwise, and after the doctors had gone, at the earnest request of her husband, sharpened the butcher knife and after carefully cutting through the flesh, unjointed the foot and removed it. The patient has been improving since the operation.

To Marry a Negro.

Philadelphia, Pa., June 30.—Miss Constance McKenzie, a cultured white woman, director of the kindergartens of the board of education, is about to tender her resignation to be united in marriage to John S. Durham, colored, one of the most prominent leaders of his race in the country.

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For Infants and Children.

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To Change It.

Washington, D. C., June 30.—The president, it is currently reported, has decided to reorganize the Civil Service Commission. The change will not be one member or two, but the entire board will be wiped out and new men will be selected by McKinley.

The commission has now two democratic members, Procter and Rice, and one republican, John B. Harlow, formerly postmaster at St. Louis. Reorganization will permit of the selection of two republicans and one democrat.

The manner in which appointments are ordered is governed largely by this commission. With a new commission it will be an easy matter to modify rules for appointments in the civil service and thousands of positions heretofore covered by rules will be made accessible to republicans.

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Almost a Failure.

Mexico, Mo., June 25.—The wheat crop in Audrain county, as well as Ralls, Marion, St. Charles, Warren, Montgomery and Pike, is reported to be almost a failure. It is estimated that there will be a falling off over last year's crop in this state of about 6,000,000 bushels. Southeast Missouri has the best wheat of any other section this year.

Wonderful! Marvelous!!

Are expressions frequently heard about Foley's Kidney Cure. Do not fail to try this great remedy for kidney trouble. J. A. Trimble, druggist, Butler Mo.

Richmond, Mo., July 1.—Mr. Dock Popejoy, who resides near Camden, about seven miles south west of Richmond, was struck by lightning last night during the heavy storm that prevailed in this section and immediately killed. The other members of the family were only slightly shocked.

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Hamburg, July 1.—The Hamburger choir correspondent to-day publishes a semi official dispatch from Berlin to the effect that the peace negotiations between Greece and Turkey may be expected to be concluded in three weeks.

Try Allen's Foot-Ease.

A powder to be shaken into the shoes. At this season your feet feel swollen and hot, and get tired easily. If you have smarting feet or tight shoes, try Allen's Foot-Ease. It cools the feet and makes walking easy. Cures and prevents swollen and sweating feet, blisters and callous spots. Relieves corns and bunions of all pains and gives rest and comfort. Try it today. Sold by all druggists and shoe stores for 25c. Trial package free. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

Chicago, Ill., June 30.—Five persons lost their lives yesterday while seeking relief from the heat by bathing. Another yielded to the effects of the sun's rays on the street and was taken to the County Hospital, but died.

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Death in the Ice.

Joliet, Ill., June 30.—Health Commissioner Cushing has had a specimen of ice sold here analyzed, the result being enough to frighten users of ice to death. He finds monsters of all descriptions in it. An ordinance will be passed by the city council, requiring dealers to pay a license of \$300 yearly, and give a bond of \$5,000. They must placard their wagons, stating what kind of ice they sell. The dealers who are short of ice declare they will go out of business.

On a red hot day Hires Rootbeer stands between you and the distressing effects of the heat.

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cools the blood, tones the stomach, invigorates the body, fully satisfies the thirst. A delicious, sparkling, temperance drink of the highest medicinal value.

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FIRST WOMAN CITIZEN

Her Sturdy Lads and Clever Lasses Become Prominent Citizens—What Some of them Accomplished.

From the News, Indianapolis, Ind.

Hundreds of thousands of men of foreign birth have taken out papers declaring their citizenship in Indiana since that State was admitted into the Union in 1816 without creating remark or comment. It was a different matter, however, when alone in the forties the first woman of foreign birth applied for and received papers of citizenship.

This "first woman citizen" was an Irish widow who settled in southern Indiana with her progeny of sturdy lads and clever lasses upon a farm which she had bought.

"The Widow Ryan" as she was known in Daviess County, Indiana, was a great woman with a clever business head and left behind her those who grew to be worthy men and worthy women, and who have left their impress upon the State.

One of these sons James B. Ryan became treasurer of the State of Indiana, and a son-in-law, M. L. Brett, also held that high and honorable position. Another son was the late Lieut. Col. Richard J. Ryan who was, probably the most brilliant and gifted orator that Indiana ever produced, and who during the war for the Union served his country in the Thirty-fifth Indiana Volunteer Infantry, better known as "the Irish Regiment."

Another son is Thomas F. Ryan who is now 32 years old, and with a few intervals of absence has been a resident of Indianapolis for forty-two years.

In the early fifties smitten by the gold fever he went by way of the Isthmus of Panama to California. He has been all over the far west engaged in mining and trade operations in Oregon, Arizona and Montana. From May, 1885 until August, 1887 he was the government agent at the Seal Islands off the Alaska coast, a highly responsible position.

"For ten years or more" said Mr. Ryan in conversation with a group of gentlemen

at the Indianapolis Board of Trade, "I have been extremely sensitive in my lower limbs, to weather changes. If my legs had been filled with quick silver I do not think they could have responded more quickly or more disagreeably to climatic conditions."

"During the past two years this infirmity became much worse, and I began to be alarmed, fearing paralysis. My legs were cold and recently from my knees down were without sensation. I could walk only short distances and would even then experience great weariness. I became more and more alarmed. I naturally thought of paralysis or locomotor ataxia. The prospect was not a pleasing one."

"I happened to meet my old friend Capt. C. F. Shepard, of this city. He was chatting the praises of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People and gave me his experience, telling me that he had been brought back using them from a bed where he lay helpless, his physician having declared him a hopeless victim of locomotor ataxia, and was now as active as any man of his age, not even requiring the use of a cane. Upon his recommendation I began the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills."

"I found positive relief, after taking a few doses. The numbness in my limbs disappeared as if by magic and I can walk as far as I like at a good rapid gait and without weariness."

"The pills also drove the rheumatism out of my hip for I have not been bothered with it since I began their use."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People contain all the elements necessary to give new life and richness to the blood and restore shattered nerves. They are for sale by all druggists, or may be had by mail from Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Schenectady, N. Y., for 50c. per box, or six boxes for \$2.50.

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Special Commissioner's Sale of Real Estate.

By authority of a decree in partition made by the circuit court of Bates county, Missouri, in the case of Adah Fitch, et al. vs. Louisa Jane Danielson, et al. I will sell at private sale, at the best price to be obtained therefor, the following described real estate situated in Bates county, Missouri, to-wit:

The east half of lots number one (1) and two (2) of the northeast quarter of section four (4) in township thirty-three (33); also the east half of lots number one (1) and two (2) of the northeast quarter of section four (4) and the west half of lots number one (1) and two (2) of the northeast quarter of section four (4) in township forty (40) range thirty-three (33).

The terms of sale will be cash, and said sale will be made subject to the approval of the circuit court. 242 acres of the above described land is situated in Homer township, and eighty acres adjoining it in West Point township.

The whole 222 acres will be sold in a body, or it will be divided into smaller tracts to suit purchaser.

JOHN C. HAYES,
Special Commissioner.

Notice to Contractors.

Pursuant to an order of the county court, made at the June term thereof, I will on

Monday, July 5, 1897,
from the east front door of the court house, in the city of Butler, county of Bates, state of Missouri, between the hours of nine (9) o'clock in the forenoon and five (5) o'clock in the afternoon, let by public outcry, to the lowest bidder, the contract for construction of six (6) iron or cable bridges located as follows:

One between sections 24 and 18, township forty-two (42), range twenty-nine (29).
One between sections twelve (12) and thirteen (13), township forty-two (42), range thirty-three (33).
One between sections ten (10) and fifteen (15), township forty-one (41), range thirty-three (33).
One between sections thirty (30) and thirty-one (31), township forty-one (41), range thirty-two (32).
One in section thirty-five (35), township forty (40), range thirty-one (31).
One between sec. four (4) township thirty-eight (38), range twenty-nine (29) and section thirty-three (33) township thirty-nine (39) range twenty-nine (29).
Plans and specifications will be on file in the County Surveyor's office after June 28th.

ROBERT E. JOHNSON,
County Surveyor.